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SUBJ: LAJES BASE NEGOTIATIONS

1. IN AN INTERVIEW PUBLISHED IN A PONTA DELGADA DAILY, FOREIGN MINISTER MEDEIROS FERREIRA SAID THAT AFTER A MEETING PLANNED FOR MARCH 11 TO DISCUSS THE PORTUGUESE POSITION ON LAJES, THE GOP MIGHT BE READY TO PROPOSE TO THE USG THE BEGINNING OF FORMAL NEGOTIATIONS ON LAJES.

2. THE MINISTER OF THE REPUBLIC, GENERAL GALVAO DE FEGUEIREDO, TOLD THE VISITING EUR/WE OFFICER AND MYSELF THAT HE WAS PERSONALLY CONVINCED THAT ALL THE ECONOMIC BENEFITS, APART FROM MILITARY ASSISTANCE, OBTAINED FROM A NEW LAJES BASE AGREEMENT WOULD GO TO THE AZORES. HE SAID THIS IS NOT YET THE GOP POSITION, BUT HE WAS SURE IT WOULD BE.

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3. IN RECENT CONVERSATIONS, SEVERAL OTHER AZOREAN OFFICIALS HAVE EMPHASIZED THE CRUCIAL IMPORTANCE OF THE LAJES BASE NEGOTIATIONS FOR THE ARCHIPELAGO. ONE MEMBER OF THE REGIONAL GOVERNMENT WENT SO FAR AS TO SAY THAT IF THE RESULTS OF THE NEGOTIATIONS WERE NOT SATISFACTORY FROM AN AZOREAN POINT OF VIEW, THERE WOULD BE A MAJOR CRISIS. AS HE PUT IT, THIS TIME IT WOULD BE THE REGIONAL GOVERNMENT, NOT FLA, WHICH WOULD

TAKE ACTION.

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